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OVER SWITCHING IN A DISK )  
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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 14, 2004, please amend the  
above-identified patent application as follows: